

## STARTS TEST SUIT ON PHONE COMPANY

Jessie L. Heiskell Contests Right of Corporation to Abrogate Unlimited Service Contracts.

### ASKS FLAT RATE CONTINUANCE

Hundreds of Washington business men are interested as subscribers in a suit begun yesterday in the District Supreme Court against the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company to test the right of the company to cancel all its flat-rate contracts with business houses. The suit was brought in the name of Jessie L. Heiskell, surviving member of the real estate firm of Heiskell & McLaughlin, as plaintiff, and through former Corporation Counsel Edward H. Thomas as attorney.

When the public utilities act of March 4, 1913, was passed there were certain so-called unlimited-service contracts in force. Under this act the company was required to file with the commission a schedule of the present rates and they were to continue in force until set aside by the commission. The right of the commission to set them aside without public hearing is denied in the bill.

The telephone company served notice on these subscribers several months ago that the flat rate service had been declared obsolete and threatening to take out their telephones unless they entered into new contracts for a measured or limited service at an increased rate. Mr. Heiskell took the matter up at the time with the Public Utilities Commission and was informed that the flat rate service

was unlawful, because it was discriminatory against other subscribers.

The bill alleges that the company has made no application for a hearing before the Utilities Commission; that the commission alone has power to abrogate the contracts. The bill claims the discrimination is against subscribers to the measured service. Mr. Heiskell says he learned the commission had adopted the opinion of Corporation Counsel Conrad Syme, that the flat rate service is discriminatory. He says he was refused a hearing by the commission until after it could make a valuation of the telephone company's property. It appears from the bill that the chairman of the commission took the ground that the matter was a private one between the company and its flat-rate subscribers.

The court is asked to compel the company to continue the flat rate until the legal controversy is settled.

### PLAGUE LAWS IN 48 STATES

Bulletin of Tuberculosis Association Shows Progress of Fight.

Legislation dealing with tuberculosis has been enacted in forty-eight States and Territories of the United States, according to a bulletin on this subject soon to be published by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. Tuberculosis sanatoria to the number of forty-two have been established in thirty-three States. In thirty-four States, laws are in force providing for the reporting and registration of living cases of tuberculosis. Laws prohibiting spitting in public places have been enacted in more than twenty States.

Revolution damage claims presented to the Chinese republic's government now call for more than \$2,700,000.

Tennessee has 15,700 registered automobiles.

## URGES WAIT ON REPORT ON RAILWAY MAIL PAY

Chairman for 264 Roads Issues Statement to Prevent Hasty Action on Moon Bill.

### FAITH IN JOINT COMMISSION

Special to The Washington Herald.

New York, July 15.—Editor The Washington Herald: As chairman of the committee on railway mail pay, representing 264 railroads operating 215,000 miles of line, I have today issued the following statement to the press:

"The bill introduced by Representative Moon had proposed to reduce the railway mail pay at least \$2,000,000 below what had already been appropriated for this fiscal year. The amendment apparently made to the Moon bill merely provided for the restoration of substantially the \$2,000,000, by which it had been proposed to cut the pay.

"The railroads have contended and they still insist that they are already underpaid at least \$15,000,000 a year. Congress now has at work a bi-partisan commission investigating the question of fact as to whether the railroads are or not underpaid for this service. It is obviously impossible properly to consider a readjustment until the question of fact has been established.

"The railroad committee believes, therefore, that in justice to the railroads and in justice to the public, the report of the joint Congressional Commission should be awaited. The railroads are confident that the report will submit a

finding on the main question of fact, which will be fair to all concerned.

"When that report is submitted and the question of fact is determined, the railroad committee will be prepared to co-operate with the government in developing a method of readjusting the underpayments or overpayments in such a manner that the interests of all may be properly protected."

"RALPH PETERA"

### FIRE NEAR RUSSIAN CAPITAL

5,000 Soldiers Added to Force Battling with Forest Flames.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—Forest fires are sweeping toward this city and 5,000 more soldiers today were ordered out to assist in fighting the flames.

A number of his estates, owned by Russian noblemen, have been devastated and the mansions burned.

"Reports from all parts of the empire give accounts of destruction of life and property. The conditions are aggravated by the intense heat wave which is prevailing over the country.

The governments of Archangel, Vitebsk, Volodga, Perm, Novgorod, Ryazan, Yaroslavl, and Smolensk all reported fires.

The loss of life has already exceeded 100.

### KILLS MOUNTED OFFICER

New York, July 15.—Dr. Matthew S. Borden, son of the late M. C. D. Borden, multimillionaire millowner, while driving his own automobile in Flushing today, ran down and fatally injured John Mac, a mounted policeman. Dr. Borden's machine skidded as he turned in the wet street, knocking the policeman's horse from under him. Mac died shortly after being taken to the Flushing Hospital. The horse had to be shot.

## DAN CUPID TIPS OFF HER SECOND MARRIAGE

Mrs. Laura Cook Corey, Noted Divorcee, and Lenn A. Duckworth Couldn't Keep Wedding Secret.

### THAT NEW LAW SPOILED IT

Special to The Washington Herald.

New York, July 15.—It became known tonight that Mrs. Laura Cook Corey, divorced wife of William Ellis Corey, formerly president of the United States Steel Corporation, was quietly married last Friday afternoon at Norton, Conn., to Lenn A. Duckworth, general retail manager of the Eastey Company, dealers in pianos and organs in this city.

Although not a secret wedding or elopement in the strictest sense, the nuptials were quietly performed by Rev. C. Carlos Martyn, pastor of the Norton Presbyterian Church. The fact that the couple complied with the new State law of Connecticut, requiring one day's advance notice when applying to the town clerk for the license, disposed of the elopement reports, according to their friends.

When Mrs. Corey and Mr. Duckworth appeared at the office of the town clerk last Friday they were unaccompanied. The couple informed the clerk that they were to sail Saturday morning on the Olympic for a honeymoon abroad. At the office of Allan Corey, son of the bride, it was admitted today that the wedding had taken place. Corey, at the office of Mr. Duckworth it was stated that Mr. Duckworth announced on Friday that he was sailing on Saturday for a vacation and would return about September 15. He did not mention a prospective wedding.

The present Mrs. Duckworth became the bride of William Ellis Corey in 1908. She was one of the belles of Brookline, Pa. The Corey divorce in 1906 attracted notice of the entire country. Mr. Corey had been taken up by Andrew Carnegie as one of his "young men" and was widely known.

In May 1907, Mr. Corey married Mabelle Gillman, the actress, and they went to live in a chateau in France. The former wife of the steel magnate retired to her modest country home at Swissvale, near Pittsburgh.

## TRADE UNION SESSION AT 'FRISCO POSTPONED

International Federation to Meet November 5 Instead of June 3.

The 1915 meeting of the International Federation of Trade Unions, originally scheduled for June 3, at San Francisco, Pa., will not take place until November 5, following. This was announced yesterday at the meeting of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, now holding a week's session at 801 G street northwest. The new date will bring the meeting within a few days of the annual American Federation of Labor convention.

The union label trades department will co-operate with the executive council in arranging a labor and label exhibit for the Panama Exposition, opening at 801 G street northwest. The exhibit will be left to President Samuel Gompers, Secretary Frank Morrison, and a committee of two.

An old breach of sixteen years standing, between the International Photo Engravers' Union of North America, and the Gill Engraving Company, of New York City, has been healed, according to information received at yesterday's session. The company has signed an agreement for three years, insuring union conditions in every such shop in Greater New York.

The officers of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners will be requested to present to President Gompers a formal statement of their grievances against the Building Trades Department, which resulted in the dissolution of the brotherhood from that department.

### LASHED BY WILD WOMEN.

Dogwhips Left Long Welts on Cheeks of English Statesman.

London, July 15.—A savage attack was made upon Thomas McKinnon Wood, M. P., secretary of state for Scotland, by two suffragettes as he was leaving his residence today.

The statesman was lashed about the head and shoulders with dogwhips, and long welts were left on his cheeks.

The women had been patrolling the street in front of Mr. Wood's residence for an hour before he left the house to go to his office. When he appeared the women rushed forward, drawing dogwhips from beneath their cloaks.

Shouting "votes, votes," the women began to ply their whips vigorously. A policeman on a near-by beat ran upon the scene, followed by two others. The women fought savagely before they were placed under arrest.

### CINCINNATI REJECTS CHARTER.

Cincinnati, July 15.—Cincinnati's proposed new charter providing a small council and centralized government under the Federal plan stands defeated today by 6,000 plurality, according to complete returns from yesterday's voting. The recall, submitted separately, was defeated by 3,500.

### KAISER PLANS WAR RAILROAD.

Berlin, July 15.—The German government today completed the preparation of a new military bill providing for the construction of \$125,000 worth of railways. Work of construction of the lines, which are designed for strategic purposes, will commence in the fall, if the bill passes the Reichstag.

### GREET CANADA'S GOVERNOR.

St. John's, New Foundland, July 15.—A general holiday was observed here today in honor of the Duke of Connaught, governor general of Canada, who landed after his voyage on board the warship Essex along the coasts of New Foundland. Flags were flying everywhere in the city and all vessels in port were decorated.

### CAN'T BUY TRUST CIGARETTES.

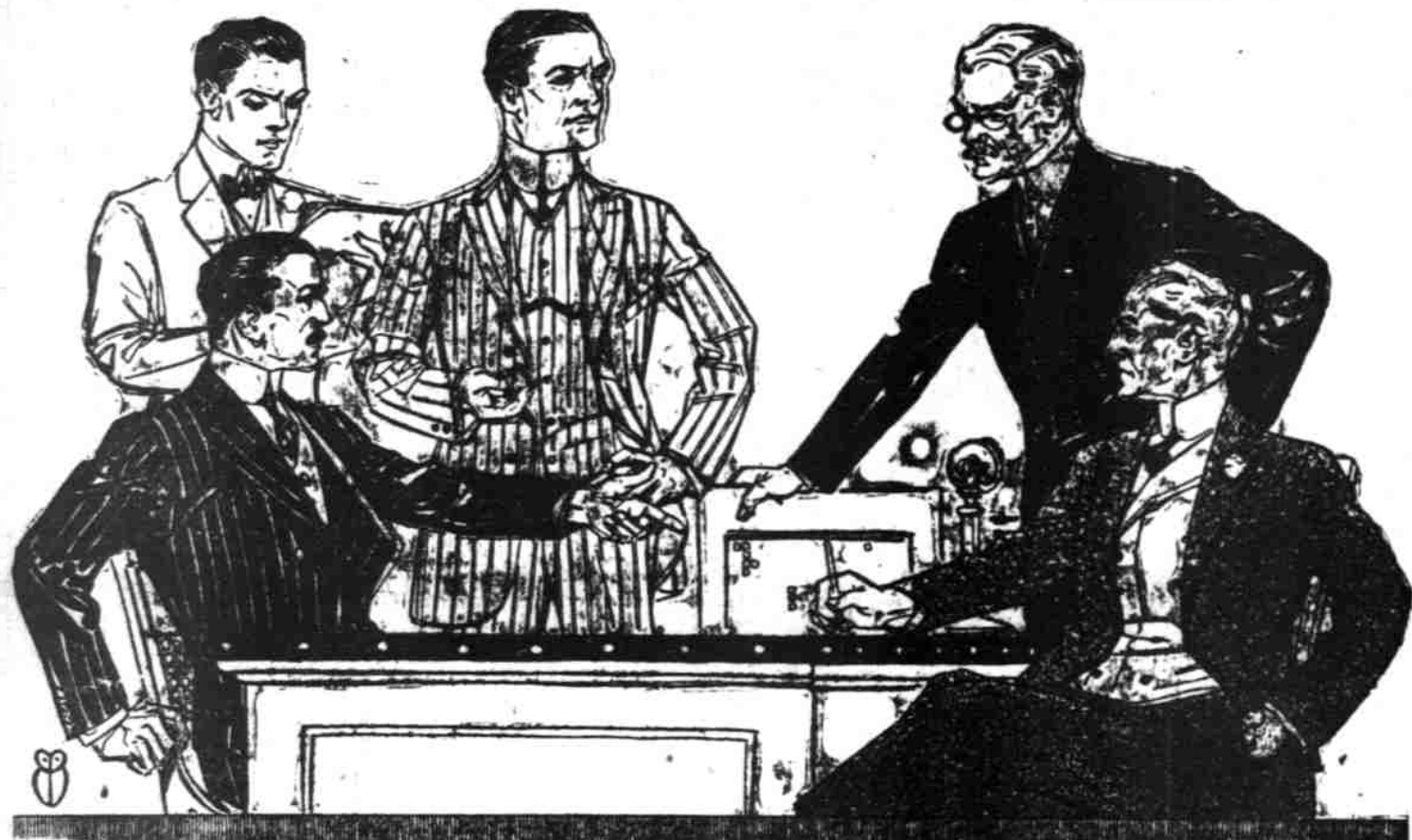
Munich, Germany, July 15.—All branches of the Bavarian army, including the officer's messes and the men's canteens, were ordered by the Bavarian war minister today to purchase their cigarettes only from firms independent of the tobacco trust. The Bavarian railway stations had already placed trust cigarettes under the ban.

### BAND CONCERT TODAY.

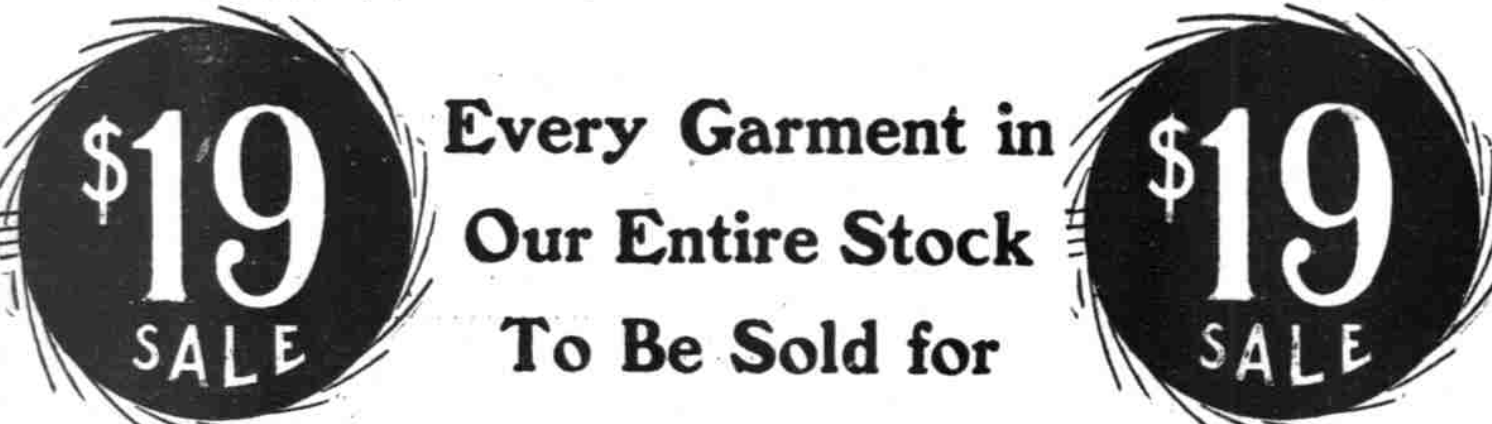
By the Fifth Cavalry Band, W. J. Cain, leader, at Washington Circle, 7:30 p. m. Program:

March, "The Victorious Eagle".....Romy Overton, "Blossom Girl".....Bain Caprice, "Among the Lilies".....Kremer Medley of Popular Songs.....Kremer Waltz, "Robbie's Girl".....Kremer Potpourri, "A Vision of Salem".....Lamp Medley of Popular Songs.....Snyder Two-step, "Some Baby".....Lansberg "The Star Spangled Banner."

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## Letters from Prominent Physicians addressed to Chas. H. Fletcher.

Dr. B. Halstead Scott, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria often for infants during my practice, and find it very satisfactory."

Dr. William Belmont, of Cleveland, Ohio, says: "Your Castoria stands first in its class. In my thirty years of practice I can say I never have found anything that so filled the place."

Dr. J. H. Taft, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I have used your Castoria and found it an excellent remedy in my household and private practice for many years. The formula is excellent."

Dr. R. J. Hamlen, of Detroit, Mich., says: "I prescribe your Castoria extensively, as I have never found anything to equal it for children's troubles. I am aware that there are imitations in the field, but I always see that my patients get Fletcher's."

Dr. Wm. J. McCann, of Omaha, Neb., says: "As the father of thirteen children I certainly know something about your great medicine, and aside from my own family experience I have in my years of practice found Castoria a popular and efficient remedy in almost every home."

Dr. J. R. Clauson, of Philadelphia, Pa., says: "The name that your Castoria has made for itself in the tens of thousands of homes blessed by the presence of children, scarcely needs to be supplemented by the endorsement of the medical profession, but I, for one, most heartily endorse it and believe it an excellent remedy."

Dr. E. M. Ward, of Kansas City, Mo., says: "Physicians generally do not prescribe proprietary preparations, but in the case of Castoria my experience, like that of many other physicians, has taught me to make an exception. I prescribe your Castoria in my practice because I have found it to be a thoroughly reliable remedy for children's complaints. Any physician who has raised a family, as I have, will join me in heartiest recommendation of Castoria."

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